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1. EMBASSY EFFORTS TO FOLLOW UP ON EARLIER REPRESENTA-
TION FOR SUPPORT OF USG POSITION OPPOSING THE PROPOSED

INCREASE IN SALARIES AND IMPROVED PENSION PLAN FOR IMF AND IBRD EMPLOYEES HAVE NOT RESULTED IN ANY INDICATIONS THAT WE CAN COUNT ON SWEDISH BACKING.

2. MINISTRY OF FINANCE OFFICIAL (REF A) WHO HAD AGREED TO COORDINATE GOS VIEWS IS NOW ABSENT FROM SWEDEN. IN HIS ABSENCE ECONOMIC/COMMERCIAL COUNSELOR CONTACTED THE ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE BUREAU IN MFA, WHICH HAS SOME RESPONSIBILITY IN THE SUBJECT MATTER. WE WERE INFORMED THAT QUESTIONS OF AN ADMINISTRATIVE NATURE ARE NOT GIVEN MUCH ATTENTION BY GOS, THAT GOS GENERALLY GOES ALONG WITH IMF/IBRD RECOMMENDATIONS, AND THAT AT A RECENT INFORMAL MEETING ON SAME SUBJECT OF IMF/IBRD OFFICIALS IN WASHINGTON, THE SWEDISH DELEGATE "REMAINED QUITET". WE REPEATED THE ARGUMENTS PRESENTED IN REF (B) ABOVE AND ASKED THAT OUR POSITION BE GIVEN FULL CONSIDERATION BEFORE A DECISION IS MADE BY GOS. SOURCE AGREED TO TAKE MATTER UP WITHIN THE OFFICE BUT WE RECEIVED THE DISTINCT IMPRESSION THAT GOS IS LIKELY TO GO ALONG WITH THE MAJORITY RATHER THAN MAKE AN ISSUE OF THIS MATTER WHEN IT IS CONSIDERED BY THE EXECUTIVE BOARDS IN MID-MAY.

3. IT HAS BEEN CUSTOMARY FOR NORDIC COUNTRIES TO COORDINATE THEIR POSITION ON INTERNATIONAL ISSUES OF THIS KIND AND THERE HAS BEEN SOME DISCUSSION ON THIS ISSUE, BUT SOURCE SAID NO FINAL POSITION HAD BEEN TAKEN.
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